



Number of Knights in debt beats state average

JACKIE ALBRECHT STAFF WRITER

Last year, 85 percent of Wartburg students graduated with debt, which is 11 percent higher than the state average.

In Iowa, 74 percent of college students have debt, making the state No. 2 for college debt levels.

Student debt averages \$22,926 per student, according to a 2006 Project on Student Debt study.

Jennifer Sassman, Wartburg's director of financial aid, said debt levels of Iowa students are high because Iowa has more students in college and the income of Iowans is about \$7,000 less than other states in the nation. Therefore, students have to borrow more money.

The average federal debt amount for a student is \$15,813, but this statistic can be somewhat misleading because students often take out private loans, too, which can substantially increase the debt.

The federal interest rate is 6.8 percent; however, it will begin to incrementally go down over the next five years.

"Hopefully, students will begin to see some relief," Sassman said.

Although college debt levels are high, Sassman has advice for dealing with the problem. She said students should really think about their expenses and only borrow what they need. Often large debt levels of students are not solely due to college expenses, but because of additional expenses like credit card debt.

"It's being careful of the choices you are making," Sassman said. "Live like a college student now, so you don't have to later."

Sassman said the financial aid office is available to help students. The office will begin to offer financial literacy sessions and require loan counseling for private loans students in January.

These information and counseling sessions are for the good of the students, Sassman said.

"We wish more students would come in and talk with us," Sassman said.

"We're here to help students look at different loan options and think about what they're doing before they sign on the dotted line."

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Scholarships decided, Davis scholar recognized

WHITNEY FREE EDITOR-IN-CHIEF

Wartburg hosted two scholarship days in November to determine part of the incoming students' financial aid.

Vice President for Enrollment Edith Waldstein said these events are integral for students, families and college staff to learn more about each other.

"Scholarship days are important because it gives highly qualified prospective students and their families an opportunity to get to know Wartburg first-hand," she said.

"It gives us an opportunity to get to know them and to get additional information through the interview and essay-writing process in which they participate while they are here."

Waldstein said students, who are frustrated about scholarships not going up in correlation to tuition increases each year, should look into other forms of aid.

"We review the amounts of the Regents and Presidential Scholarships annually, within the context of the entire financial aid awarding policy. The amounts are

determined keeping a four-year tenure of study in mind," she said.

"Students may apply for external scholarships for additional funding."

Another scholarship Wartburg offered this year was through the Davis United World College (UWC) Scholars Program. The program contributes up to \$10,000 of need-based aid for each scholar, every year of a four-year undergraduate degree program.

According to the program's Web site, all participating schools also are awarded a \$5,000 grant each year to support their admission outreach.

This year's Davis scholar is Rumbidzai Teramayi, a first-year pre-medicine major from Zimbabwe.

"Rumbidzai ... is excellently prepared for her Wartburg college education and represents the best of Davis Scholars in her engagement with global issues," Waldstein said.

"I look forward to the ways in which she will enrich our campus community over the next four years as she develops her leader-

Possible bedbug scare resurfaces

EMILY SCHMITT STAFF WRITER

Two Centennial residents recently experienced possible bedbugs in their room in what would be the second bedbug case this year.

The roommates suspected bedbugs after noticing bites on one of the student's arms.

Peter Armstrong, director of residential life, said the students were referred to the health clinic. Health clinic workers were unable to determine what caused the bites.

Staff members inspected the room, but there were no signs of bedbugs. Because the stu-

dent did have bites of some sort, Armstrong said they proceeded as if bedbugs were the cause.

The students moved out of their room for one day while the college disinfected all of their belongings. The furniture was removed and placed in a refrigerated truck. The adjacent rooms were also cleaned.

Both students declined to comment.

Bedbugs are not known to spread disease to humans, but according to MayoClinic.com, bedbugs are becoming more common in the Western world because of foreign travel and

changing pest-control practices.

Earlier this fall, two Grossman Hall residents found bedbugs in their room.

"There seems to be no connection between the two rooms," Armstrong said. He said there is no reason students should worry about bedbugs in their rooms.

Last year students discovered bedbugs in three Grossman dorm rooms. At that time, Armstrong said the bedbugs might have ridden in on the suitcases of summer campers who stayed in the dorm.

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Mitch Eslick attempts a pass to Fred Rose at the Buzz Levick tournament.

Senate collects for ill alum

WHITNEY FREE EDITOR-IN-CHIEF

Student Senate is sponsoring a spare change drive this week to benefit Aaron Buzza '01, who was recently diagnosed with multiple myeloma, which is a blood cancer.

People can donate money in buckets located in each academic department and outside the Mensa. President Jack R. Ohle has promised to personally match the total donation, which will offset medical costs for Buzza.

Student Body President Eric Benson said Senate was compelled to take the donation request from Katie Wright a step further.

"Everyone always talks about the family that you find here at Wartburg," he said.

"I think it is really touching

how so many people have come forward wanting to help."

Buzza serves as the director of sports development for the Waterloo Convention and Visitors Bureau.

He was also instrumental in creation of the new Cedar Valley Sports and Entertainment Commission, whose mission is to work with local organizations in an effort to bring major tourism, entertainment and sporting events to the region. His wife, Crystal, works for Lincoln Savings Bank. Both graduated from Wartburg.

Multiple myeloma is normally found in people over 60. There is no cure, but it is treatable.

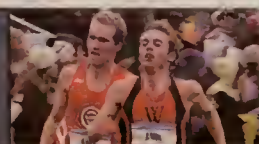
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Survey reveals political preferences

ABBY SHOWALTER WTV-8 NEWS

Wartburg students overwhelmingly favored Barack Obama for the Democratic presidential nomination in a recent political activism survey.

According to the survey distributed via e-mail to all Wartburg students, Obama received 52 percent of the Democratic votes. The leading Republican candidate was Rudy Giuliani with 20 percent of votes.

More than 400 students participated in the non-scientific poll conducted by seniors in the Communication Arts Media Criticism class.

"I'm not surprised Obama did well in a student poll," Abhay Nadipuram, president of the Wartburg Democrats, said.

"Obama has done a great job in attracting young Democrats and young students as a whole."

John Edwards took second among the Democrats with 12 percent and Hillary Clinton came in third with 9 percent.

Mitt Romney was the second leading Republican candidate in

the survey with 11 percent of the votes, followed by John McCain with 10 percent.

Nearly 45 percent of those who responded to the survey said they did not favor any of the Republican candidates.

Heidi Hesse, president of Wartburg Republicans, said she was not surprised.

"I think most Republicans are holding off to get a better feel of the candidates before they make their ultimate decision," Hesse said.

The Wartburg survey differed from most state and national polls, including a recent scientific survey from the University of Iowa which indicated that Clinton leads with 29 percent, followed by Obama with 27 percent and Edwards with 20 percent of votes.

In the University of Iowa survey, despite Giuliani's lead in most national polls, Romney had a strong lead in Iowa at 36 percent, with Giuliani in second at 13.1 percent, and Mike Huckabee in third with 12.8 percent.

Many of the presidential

candidates have made stops in Waverly to try to gain a student vote. Most recently, Hillary Clinton and Tom Tancredo visited the campus Nov. 5, and John Edwards spoke at the Waverly Civic Center Nov. 4.

Political science professor Fred Waldstein said students should stay politically active and learn about the candidates by attending such events.

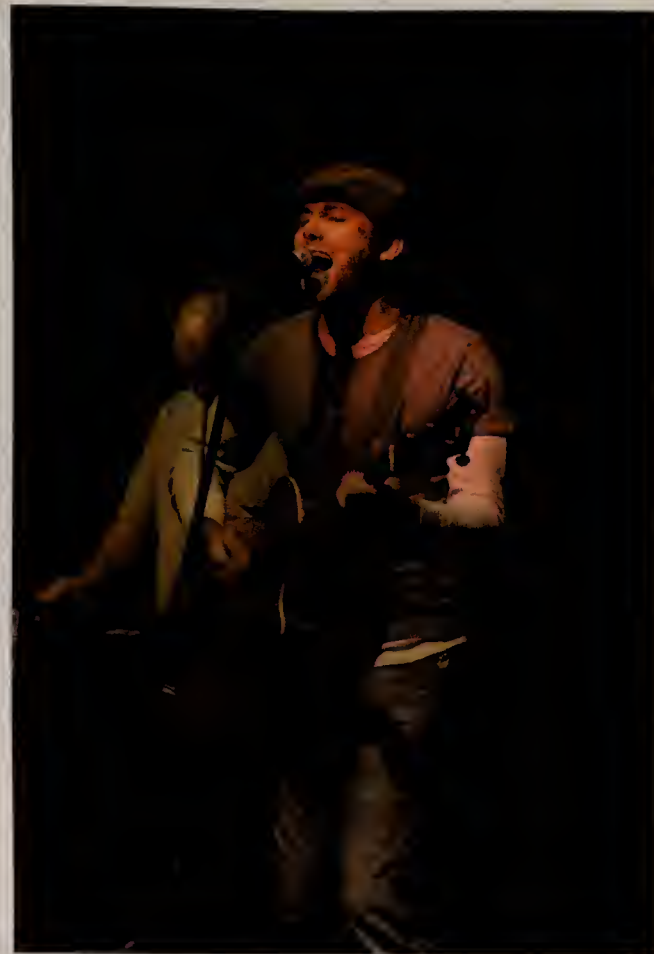
"Students, as citizens, need to become aware of the issues, and need to be willing to take a stand for their candidates," he said.

According to the Wartburg survey, about 70 percent of the students who responded are registered to vote, but only 13 percent said they would consider themselves politically active.

But Alek Wiperman, Obama's Waverly field organizer, disagreed.

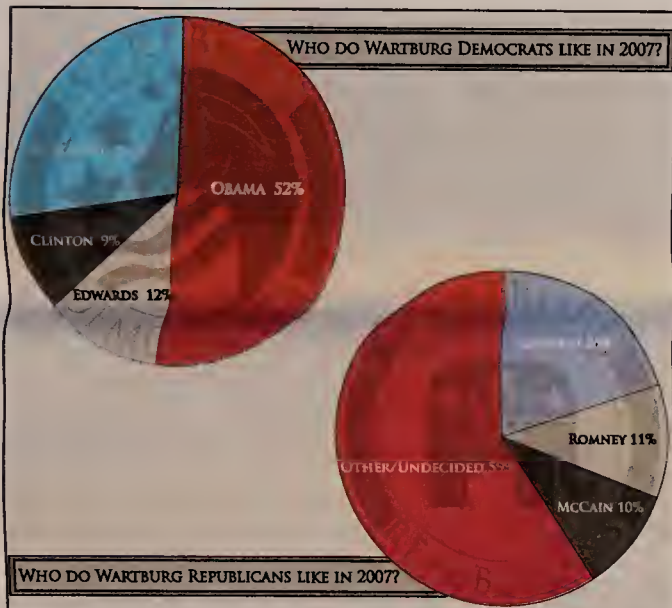
"Activism at Wartburg is at a high point right now. I think it bodes well for student involvement in the next election."

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Chris Cauley and keyboard player Shannon Wickline performed Monday.



Graphic by Loren Thomas

ETK concert showcases talent, service

SNEHA PRADHAN NEWS EDITOR

Soul artists Chinua Hawk and Chris Cauley performed at Wartburg last week. The concert was Hawk's third at Wartburg and Cauley's first.

Hawk and Cauley have each performed for years without formal vocal or instrumental training.

Hawk said he is a storyteller and a dreamer, which is reflected in his music, according to www.chinuahawk.com. As for Cauley, a lot of his music comes from his own experiences of love and life, according to www.myspace.com/chriscauley.

Entertainment ToKnight (ETK), a student-run organization that runs social, cultural and educational programs, funded the Hawk and Cauley concert.

ETK office manager and hospitality chair Sydni Williams said the artists have a different sound than most acts on campus.

"We usually bring rock music to

campus, which seems to have gone well in the past. We like variety," she said. "I think it brings students together. It gives them something to do beyond academics. It's kind of a plus for being students at Wartburg."

More than 35 students attended the event in the McCaskey Lyceum.

"It was quite relaxing," Prateek Shrestha said. "The performance was good, and the music was also very soothing. Overall, it was indeed a good concert to attend."

Hawk performed songs from his new album, "The Shoe Box Collection," and Cauley did the same from his debut album "Fish out of Water."

A Georgia-based, independent label called Red Drum Records signed Cauley after he went solo from a band called the Broken Poets. Hawk is an independent artist who has performed with Celine Dion, written songs with

WyClef Jean and worked with Kanye West. Hawk's CD sales have reached France, England, Japan, Switzerland and Canada.

The St. Elizabeth's Week planning committee teamed up with ETK at the concert to raise awareness about hunger and homelessness. Organizer Jennifer Wendland handed peace bags to students outside the Lyceum. Peace bags are Hy-Vee grocery bags on which students could draw images related to themes like poverty and service.

"[The bags] go back to Hy-Vee and are placed randomly with other bags, so that someone gets the message and spreads community awareness," Wendland said. "It is an effort to connect Wartburg with the community."

For more information about ETK's upcoming events, go to www.wartburg.edu/etk.

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Art exhibit features abstract reality

MEGHAN PEDERSEN STAFF WRITER

This month, the Waldemar A. Schmidt Art Gallery features an exhibit of modernist, abstract art created by award-winning artist Chris Vance.

Professor Mathew Wilson invited Vance to put together a show for Wartburg College because he felt that students at Wartburg would be inspired by his prolific output and passion for painting.

Wilson also hoped that Vance,

a Des Moines native and graduate of Iowa State University, would give art majors something to aspire to.

"Unlike much modernist abstraction, these abstract works are approachable and familiar," Wilson said.

Tim Harmon said the exhibit was interesting.

"It's very odd how the people [in the display] have a cartoony look. It's really kind of melancholy," he said.

The exhibit includes some of Vance's oldest and strongest pieces.

"[These works] mean something to me and place importance on my art in time," he said.

Professor Amy Nolan enjoyed Vance's display.

"It's one of the best exhibits I've seen here," she said.

Graffiti and the works of his four children are Vance's inspirations.

Vance's works have been featured in several art shows around the Midwest including the Des Moines Art Festival, the Art Fair at Laumeir in St. Louis, the Uptown Art Fair in Minneapolis, Artsplash in Sioux City and the Town Art Show in Kansas City.

At these events, Vance has received many awards, including six awards of excellence.

His work can be found at the Moberg Gallery in Des Moines, The Niche in Omaha, Outside the Lines in Dubuque and Craftsman Creek in Sioux Falls.

Vance was also involved with the founding of the Paint Pushers, a group of visual artists who gather to critique one another's works. He continues to play an active role in this organization, which has become a valuable resource for new artists.

Vance's exhibit will be on display at Wartburg through Dec. 10.

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Beth Lewis discusses service and leadership at Tuesday's convocation.

Convocation promotes leadership, service

WHITNEY FREE EDITOR-IN-CHIEF

Three steps to leading change include identifying your vocation or calling, listening and responding to colleagues and being willing to lead by example, Beth Lewis said at Tuesday's convocation.

Lewis, the president and chief executive officer of Augsburg Fortress Publishing in Minnesota, spoke at Wartburg's 38th annual Corporate Education Day.

Business professor Gloria Campbell introduced Lewis as an example that it is possible to use leadership skills to make a difference in the community, fitting into Wartburg's academic theme of civic and community engagement.

Lewis said she thinks of her colleagues as co-leaders and emphasized the importance of going where you feel called to go.

"A vocation can be any role that's honorable," she said before telling the story of how she found her vocation at Augsburg Fortress at the age of 47.

"I share this story with you in the hopes you can find yours before that age," she said.

Lewis spoke of the necessity for listening and learning from employees so changes can be made.

"Sometimes change is easy to respond to," she said before telling the story of a packing plant worker who simply wanted a new tape dispenser.

Lewis' personal stories and experiences seemed

to entertain the audience, and several nodded in agreement with her statements.

"A lot of things she said connected with my personal beliefs about service and how it's an important part of society," Alicia Henry said. "I agreed with what she said about how we should all do our part and that one person can make a difference."

Lewis concluded by talking about how leading by example could make someone a catalyst for change. She related this to Wartburg's new campaign, Commission on Mission, which emphasizes the mission statement's four keys concepts: leadership, service, faith and learning.

"You would think that, at a college, learning would be first in that list," she said. "But leadership, service and faith come first."

She also noted the week's activities in conjunction with St. Elizabeth's Week and Hunger and Homelessness Week.

"I'm very impressed," she said about the college's dedication to service.

Lewis also visited with organizations like the service trip executive board and the Volunteer Action Center (VAC) while on campus, and led a roundtable discussion after a luncheon in the Castle Room.

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Library offers online services over break

BRITTANY FEAGANS STAFF WRITER

As Thanksgiving break and final exams rapidly approach, the Vogel Library is promoting how off-campus access to library databases can be used to facilitate the studying process.

With the library closed Wednesday evening to Sunday evening for the holiday, it is important that students understand how to access library databases while not on campus.

"If a student or faculty member desires to access library databases off campus, the library, with assistance from Information Technology Services, has created a simple link on the upper right hand corner of the library's home page," said Kim Babcock-Mashek, an information literacy librarian at Vogel Library.

"Clicking on this link will ask you to enter the same username and password that is used to access the campus network," she said. "Once the login information is verified, a portal page with one link to the library appears. Click on the link, and you are back to the homepage."

Although the homepage may appear identical to the previous page, it now recognizes the IP address as an on-campus IP address, thus allowing access to library databases.

In order to utilize this feature, a valid Wartburg e-mail address and viable Internet connection are necessary. Library databases are not

accessible to the general public.

As with any program, problems arise.

"Due to security concerns, many database vendors have added cookies that can cause problems when using web browsers. To make sure you have access to all the databases, check your Web browser options and make sure the browsers' cookies are enabled," said Babcock-Mashek.

Another problem that the library and ITS have dealt with arises when attempting to log in. Sometimes a message pops up asking the user to accept a security certificate. If this message appears, clicking "Yes" is necessary to continue.

Babcock-Mashek would like to remind students that it is not a wise decision to begin research at the last minute, especially when databases are necessary, due to the possibility of technical problems.

The library catalog is always available for off-campus users. This feature does not require logging in.

The library will reopen Sunday, Nov. 25 at 6:30 p.m.

If problems are encountered with off-campus access during Thanksgiving break, send an e-mail to asklibrarian@wartburg.edu with a description of the problem. A librarian will reply back as soon as possible. Off-campus access is free.

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Interviews near completion

ELLEN KURT STAFF WRITER

The Pathways Center is interviewing candidates for its associate for vocations and mentoring position.

Jeff Beck previously held this position for one year, and had been with Wartburg as a football coach before. He now works in the alumni office.

"For most of this fall term, he has been working double duty, and we greatly appreciate this," Pathways Center Director Vicki Edelnant said.

The interview process to replace Beck started off with a committee made up of personnel in Pathways and through phone interviews of candidates who were not able travel to campus.

The second batch of interviews was of those who had the chance to come to campus. These interviews consisted of the candidates spending half of the day with the search committee followed by lunch with the Pathways staff. They

also visited the Human Resource department because they would have a chance of working in and with these areas.

The candidates also had the opportunity to visit with Vice President for Enrollment Edith Waldstein, students, supplemental instruction leaders and Collegiate Achievement Program mentors because they are all part of the Pathways Center. Lastly, they visited with Pastor Bouzard, as the position they are interviewing for is partially funded by the Lily Grant. Pastor Bouzard and the candidates discussed the idea that the person who holds this job needs to understand his or her calling and have comfort talking about students' callings.

"Frederick Buechner says, 'Calling is where your deep gladness meets with the world's need,'" Edelnant said.

Other qualifications for the position include a master's degree, being able to work well with with college students, experience in leadership, being able to perform training exercises and having good communication skills.

Edelnant said the interviewing process is close to being finished.

"It all depends on the reviewing of applicants and the response when the job gets offered to the chosen candidate," she said.

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Letters to the editor

Poverty must be addressed

Dear Editor,

Did you know that more than 1,000,000,000 people in the world live on less than \$1 a day? Here in America we cannot even imagine living in that type of economic environment!

As human beings, our health is one thing that is extremely important to us. More than 50 percent of Africans suffer from water-related diseases such as cholera and infant diarrhea. How would you feel to be an African mother and have to walk more than a mile every day to simply collect a few buckets of water, knowing that this water is what is killing your family?

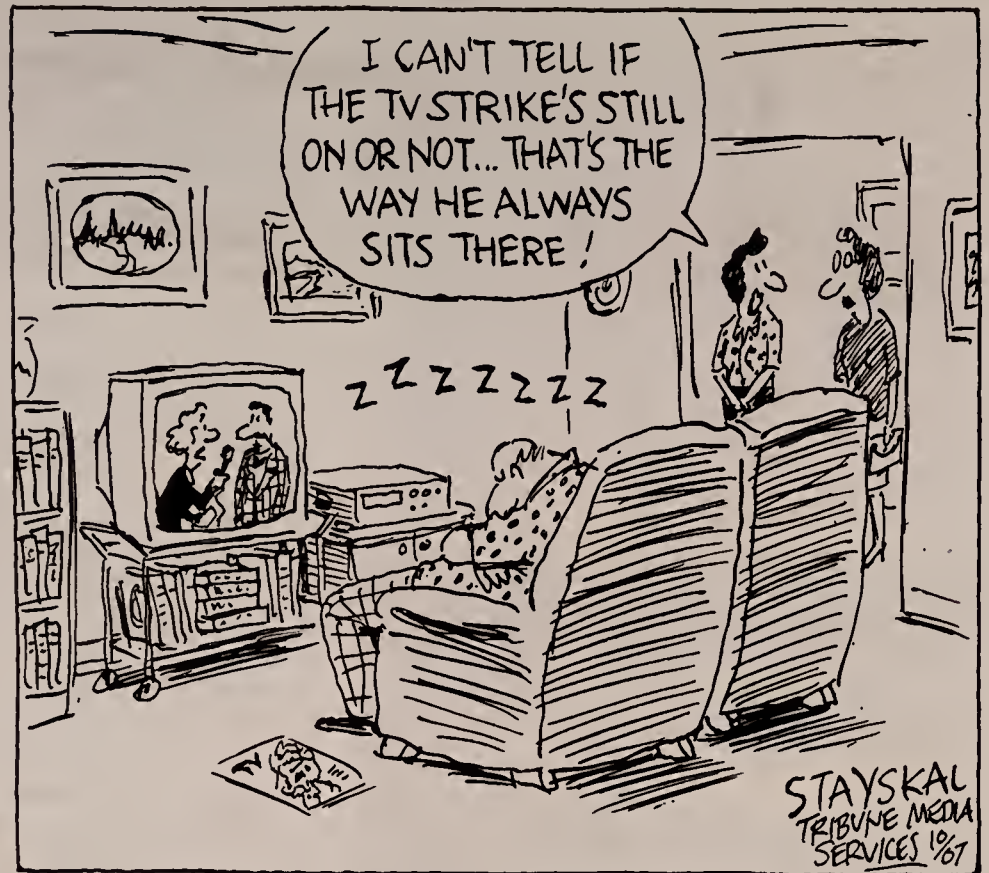
These facts and figures are everyday life for them. We hear about it, but they experience it! Malaria is one of the number one killers for the people of Tanza-

nia. Every 10 seconds a child dies from malaria.

In America, one of the most important necessities of life is our food. We are worried about what we are going to have for dessert while every 3.6 seconds someone dies of starvation. Children under the age of five comprise the largest majority of these deaths.

We might feel that we cannot do anything to help these people living in extreme poverty, but that is not the case. Bed nets that protect people from malaria are only \$5, and it's only \$20 for a round trip to a hospital or health care facility. This is within our control. We can end extreme poverty, disease, and hunger in our generation.

Allison Kirschbaum '11



MCT Campus

Senate lacks "voice" for students

Dear Editor,

I have become more and more disappointed with Wartburg's Student Senate. Senate's mission is "to make a positive difference at Wartburg College by acting as a voice for the student body; fostering communication between students, faculty, staff and administration; developing legislation relevant to the needs of our constituency and representing our institution through leadership and service to the community."

Voice for the student body? How many students even know who their senator is? I take pride in being an engaged student --- I would consider myself more active than most. However, in my time at Wartburg, I have had little contact with my senators in regard to Senate issues.

Recently the topic of supporting the V-Day Campaign has been brought to Senate's attention. To my dismay, Senate is having a hard time endorsing the

event. Regardless of one's political views, one should never take violence against women lightly. However, I have not heard any of this from any senators. So how can these people be our voice?

I fully support the V-Day Campaign. V-Day is a global movement to stop violence against women and girls. It increases awareness, raises money and revitalizes the spirit of existing anti-violence organizations. Sadly, violence against women is a reality. And Wartburg is no exception. There are many things the "Wartburg Bubble" protects us from --- violence against women is not one of them.

The V-Day Campaign is just another example of Senate's lack of focus on the students. Many senators do not represent their constituents. Some senators have their own views they vote with. I challenge our Senate to do better.

Lia Kampman '08

—From the Other Side
of the Desk—

Though stress builds, remain thankful

ERIKA LINDGREN FACULTY GUEST WRITER

As I sit in my office, working on my second-year review and the copy edits on my book and trying not to be scared by the towering pile of student papers that need to be read, commented on and graded, I find my stress level rising.



What have I gotten myself into? How will I get it all done? When will I find the time? Then I realize --- I have so much to be thankful for. I have a job that is actually in its second year [hence the review] and after five years of one-year positions, it is a joyful novelty to actually have a second year at the same place. So as we prepare for Thanksgiving Break [guess when the student papers will get done] I have prepared a list of all the things I am grateful for this year:

- My family [the traditional beginning of such a list]
- Students who love to talk about ancient and medieval history
- The Waverly Farmer's Market
- All the shelves in my office to hold my books
- A very pretty campus
- The fact that I get to caucus in Iowa
- Students who understand when I'm late returning work
- Friendly and supportive colleagues
- The chance to see bald eagles down by the Cedar River
- Students who stop by my office to play with my nun collection [Nunzilla anyone?]
- The fact that after 10 years in the works, my book is almost done
- Support staff on campus that smooth the day to day existence of faculty
- An airport and a Japanese restaurant in Waterloo
- A Thai restaurant in Cedar Falls
- A German restaurant in

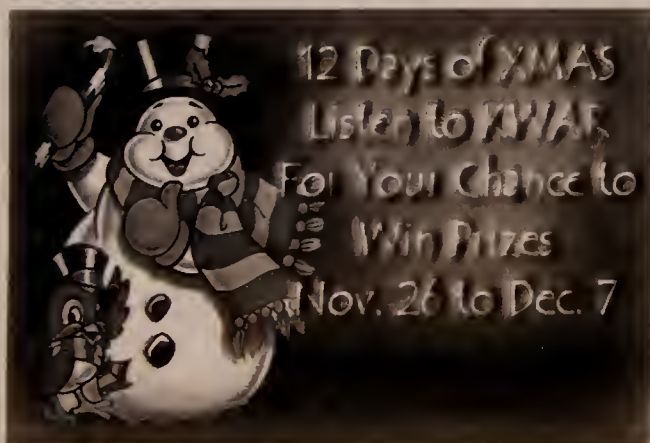
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- Students who are intellectually curious
- My cats Boethius and Abelard, named after late antique and medieval philosophers respectively, because all cats are, by nature, philosophers
- Community Supported Agriculture and the Genuine Faux Farm
- Dr. Judy Griffith's never-ending bowl of M & Ms
- Did I mention the great colleagues?
- The fact that I own my own place and can walk to work
- 25-cent popcorn in the Den
- Organic Earl Grey tea in the Den to wash that popcorn down
- The fact that I can teach a course about Buffy the Vampire Slayer and show students how a television show can be a text
- Wonderful workstudy students in the humanities office
- The fact that I really like the color orange

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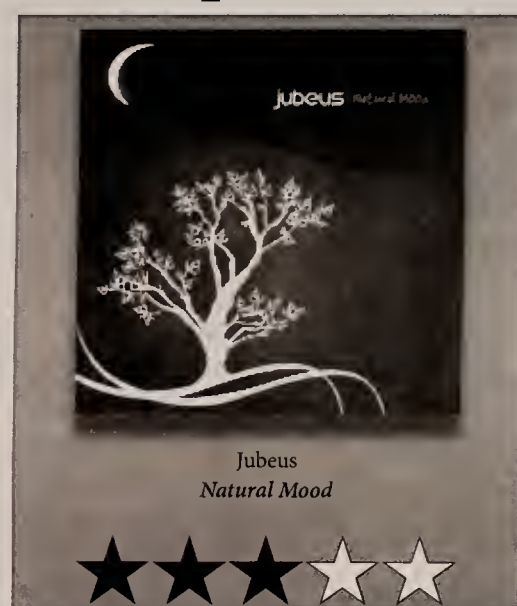
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CHRIS LAMBERTZ OP/ED EDITOR

This Parisian dance production duo has been under the radar for far too long, giving music lovers amazing remixes over the years including songs by N.E.R.D., Britney Spears, Fatboy Slim, Daft Punk and Franz Ferdinand. Finally the group put together a record of their own highly energetic trance/electronic beats and released it to the world this summer.

Cross features intense songs, nearly all of which would normally be heard at a rave while youngsters wave glow sticks around and a strobe begs someone to have a seizure. The group caught a lot of buzz this summer with the Internet popularity of the single "D.A.N.C.E.," later becoming the free download of the week for iTunes. The song begins with a childlike voice spelling out how to dance properly, and almost immediately explodes into a catchy beat by which one can't help but be consumed. The record is "a musical opera where the melodies are ripped to shreds by the beats, where electro teaches rock a lesson and where pop gets a botox injection," according to its press release. For your own benefit, listen to this group. *Cross* gets 5 out of 5 - it truly is a work of art and this group will be around for quite a while.

This post-hardcore, screamo band from New Brunswick, NJ has had a magnificent ten-year ride, sweating, bleeding and putting it all out there for their fans. Thursday has struggled through illness, separation of group members and the trials of the intensive touring. With a full five albums under their belts, they still hold the title for the most dedicated screamo band around.

With the release of *Kill The House Lights*, a compilation of several new tracks, live tracks, some previously unreleased material and an amazing DVD, Thursday continues to give fans exactly what they want: a full-frontal assault of emotional hardcore music. The new tracks on the disc show the creativity and the deep thought the group puts into the lyrics. "Signals Over the Air," which was recorded at their 2006 holiday show at the Starland Ballroom, truly captures the energy and chaos the band delivers each and every time. The lead single, "Panic on the Streets of Health Care City," refers to New Brunswick and how the town is quickly being taken over by Johnson & Johnson. The whole *Kill The House Lights* package gives listeners a glimpse into the world of Thursday, and I give it 4 out of 5 stars.

Currently based out of Richmond, VA, this eclectic quintet delivers an interesting blend of pop-rock jams fused with elements of funk, Latin and Celtic musical styles. Still relatively unknown, Jubeus tours Virginia and the rest of the country vigorously, picking up new fans wherever they roam.

The group's second effort, *Natural Mood*, showed Jubeus branching out and starting to experiment more. By adding more backing vocals and instrumental pieces, the record quickly stands up and gets attention. "Look Out" spends most of its time rocking back and forth between guitar riffs and drumming build-ups while an electric organ wails behind, creating a musical landscape for listeners to roam and play on. The reggae influenced jam, "Love Is in the Air," brings swinging guitar and swooning vocals speaking of love and melody. While the record is a great experimental album, it tends to only work for certain types of listeners, leaving it with 3 out of 5 stars.

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Security addresses campus shootings

KATHY BRERETON GUEST WRITER

Wartburg has been taking steps to ensure student safety but security officers will not carry guns, John Myers, director of campus security and safety, said.

The Iowa Board of Regents recently voted to require campus police at UNI, the University of Iowa and Iowa State University to carry guns.

Myers said student safety is very important to him but believes such measures are unnecessary at Wartburg.

The College is a small campus that is located in a very safe community, he said.

There is also a difference between security on state and private campuses.

"UNI puts their security personnel through the same training as an actual police officer so they can make arrests,"

Myers said.

"Wartburg has security personnel on campus, but they are not allowed to make arrests. They have to go through the Waverly police."

The Iowa Board of Regents vote came eight months after the nation watched as a gunman killed 32 people during a shooting spree on the Virginia Tech campus.

The realities of the massacre are still fresh in the minds of many Americans and it remains the deadliest school shooting in U.S. history.

As a result of the shooting, many colleges updated their security systems and tried to reassure communities that, in the event of a crisis, they would be prepared.

Deborah Loers, vice president for student life and dean of students, stressed student

responsibility.

"Our security system is great, but students need to help us protect them," Loers said.

"Lock your doors at night and call the security office if you are concerned about anything."

Myers said that after the Virginia Tech shooting, Wartburg developed a mass e-mail system that would alert all students and faculty of any danger.

There was speculation that a number of Virginia Tech students could have been spared if they had been warned earlier.

The first shooting occurred in the dorm rooms at 7:15 a.m., but the first e-mail warning to students and faculty was not sent out until 9:26 a.m. when the mass shooting had already started.

The Wartburg security office is also looking into text messaging students or having warning messages pop-up on students' computers.

Student Kristen Bockenstedt isn't worried.

"I feel really safe here on campus, especially considering the location of Wartburg," Bockenstedt said. "It's easy to feel safe in a small town."

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Storyteller passes torch

CHRISTIAN MUELLER FEATURES EDITOR

Patricia Coffie, a long-time resident of Waverly, has certainly made an impact throughout the country during her life.

Coffie was the director of the Waverly Library for 29 years before retiring from the position at the end of July 2005.

Earlier in her life, however, Coffie spent time in Texas building a library and working at NASA in Houston.

"I was there at the time of the first moon landing," Coffie said, "and I had tickets to the first party in the Astrodome."

Today, Coffie is an Iowa Storyteller, travelling around the country, telling stories about her life.

She believes that this was the perfect segway away from her former career as a language arts teacher.

"Much of what we teach is through story," Coffie said.

Most recently, she has performed as part of the Minnesota Fringe Festival, a program in Minnesota presenting performers of all different genres.

"Basically, people pay me money to talk about my kids," Coffie said. "The world would be a better place if we all talked about our kids."

Both of Coffie's sons work in the entertainment field.

Dan Coffie is a coordinating producer on the latest season of *Amazing Race*, airing now.

Coffie has taken part in her son's work during the years by attending several events.

On one occasion she was invited to use her abilities as a storyteller on the set of a Richard Gere film in which her son, Dan Coffie, was a part of the production staff.

Her son, Chris, currently a production manager for Carrie Underwood, enabled her to attend her first concert and meet the band, Nine Inch Nails.

"My son told me they were very nice in private," Coffie said, "and it turned out to be true --- they took very good care of me."

Coffie is very proud of her boys, but tries to avoid as much of the credit for it as possible.

"I often get the credit for them," Coffie said, "but it's been very hard for them and I've tried to give them the freedom to make their own choices."

Coffie continues to preach in Keillor-esque fashion. More information about her and her work can be found at www.patstories.com.

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Service leaders given recognition

WHITNEY FREE EDITOR-IN-CHIEF

St. Elizabeth service award recipients were honored at Wednesday's chapel service. Students, faculty and staff nominated the 14 recipients.

Renee Sedlacek, community service associate in the Center for Community Engagement, said the awards honor several members of the Wartburg community and may undergo a name change next year.

"The St. Elizabeth award was established to recognize members of our community who make outstanding contributions to the community. It is important to note that this year we decided to not make the award a selective award," she said. "Next year we will probably call it the St. Elizabeth Recognition rather than award or something to that effect."

Student recipient Krystina Irvin said the award was humbling.

"I was very honored to be recognized among so many other servant leaders on campus," she

said. "It was very encouraging to see how so many others are giving time they don't have to make a difference, and to know that I am in the company of some truly outstanding individuals."

Linda Smith, a campus visit coordinator in admissions, received a staff award.

"It was a great honor to be chosen," she said. "It is the great people at Wartburg that make it a joy to work here and easy to serve. Wartburg is a great place to be."

Sedlacek said St. Elizabeth's Week was a success.

"We kicked off the week with the tailgater selling Tyson's pork sandwiches to raise money to end childhood hunger in the Cedar Valley. The final tally rang in at \$1,778 raised," she said. "It makes the work less and the impact greater when we can work together on a cause we are all passionate about."

Irvin hopes events like St. Elizabeth's Week will embolden

others to serve.

"I myself would like to live in a world that is more concerned about the needs of its neighbors rather than itself, that time is a gift to be shared with others and not hoarded for personal gain, and the human kind takes a genuine interest and action towards helping everyone live a better life," she said.

"Everyone has the opportunity to serve in some way, and we are all blessed with different gifts and opportunities. I think service is the common bond that draws us together, as we unite to make positive change in our world."

Other students recognized were Andy Bell, Brian Borchers, Sarah Dentlinger, Jessica Foster, Ryan Hahn, Alicia Henry, Timothy Maybee, Janna McClintock, Tarra Norem, Zakh Ward and Jill Wiebke. Faculty member Jeff Stein was also recognized.

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Alumni contact modified

SARAH KOENINGS GUEST WRITER

Knightcallers are making changes in the way they will operate their phone services.

Knightcallers are a group of student supervisors and callers who contact alumni to raise money for the annual fund.

In the past, Kendra Kehe, director of the annual fund, has been in charge of the Knightcallers and the call center.

This year, RuffaloCODY, a national telemarketing company for non-profit organizations, organizes and runs the program.

Matt Ganske, an employee of RuffaloCODY, is the primary manager of the Knightcaller program for the 2007-08 academic year.

Kehe said the phone-a-thon will be automated this year, which will make for shorter phone calls, automatic dialing and better technology in the phone center.

Alumni will now be segmented more efficiently, allowing the callers to focus on donors that are likely to give to the fund.

Contact information and alumni history will be available on a computer located at every call station. This will make it possible to make changes to alumni accounts instantly.

"With RuffaloCODY and the new automated system, we are hoping to double our gifts this year," Kehe said. "Last year the Knightcallers brought in a little over \$117,000, and we are hoping to double that. I think we'll also

see an increase in matching gifts."

Returning Knightcallers will notice other changes in the calling schedule this year.

In the past, the program started in early October and ended in late April or early May.

The new automated system will result in shorter, faster calls so the phone center will only be open for five weeks in the fall semester and five weeks in the spring.

Student-supervisor Brittany Weisinger said she could see positive and negative results.

"I think the automated system will make calling a lot easier and much more organized," she said.

"However, I don't really like that it's only going to be a few months instead of the whole year."

Even with the shorter calling period, Weisinger was still excited to get back to calling.

"Talking to the alumni and hearing what it was like when they went to school is always interesting," she said.

The annual fund contributes to many of the updates that take place on campus like technology and library updates, study-abroad programs, guest speakers and student scholarships.

There are still Knightcaller positions to be filled.

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Joint efforts improve childhood literacy

MEKEA WILLIAMSON ASST. NEWS EDITOR

A former television anchor, Wartburg's bookstore and the education department are working in an effort to increase children's literacy.

Ann Kerian, former KWWL anchor, said she has been working with various fundraisers for several years and has volunteered to work with many children's charities including YMCA's Strong Kids campaign and John Deere's participation with the United Way.

Kerian said working with children is very important to her.

"I never had to do it, I wanted to do it," she said. "Especially if it involved kids. I mean I read more books around Eastern Iowa than I can count."

Kerian also said she saw her work with the charities as a chance to help.

"If I had the time to and I could, I would [help]," she said.

Kerian left KWWL in April after being with the station for more than four years and is now an independent consultant. She said her 16 years experience in broadcasting has helped her to become a well-known person and if she could use her status to help make awareness in the community to help a special cause she would.

A special cause like childhood

literacy is also being taken seriously by the college's bookstore. Last week was National Children's Book Week. The bookstore had a 20 percent off sale to encourage people to support children reading more. Manager of the bookstore Arlene Schwarzenbach said the bookstore is highly interested in increasing children's literacy.

"The books we carry aren't your average run of the mill books that you get from a discount store," Schwarzenbach said. "We carry top of the line children books."

She also said the greater message behind having the book sale is to help children in the future.

"The more books we can sell and get in the hands of children, the better they can read and the more likely they would like reading as adults," Schwarzenbach said.

Schwarzenbach said the timing for the book sale couldn't have been better.

"Especially with Christmas time coming up what better gift than a book for Christmas?"

The education department has become involved with enlightening the community with the need to have children reading more too.

Chellie Orluck, a senior and elementary education major, said working with kids and teaching

them that knowing how to read and write is important.

"Ultimately, I believe that the greatest impact that I can have for the future is modeling for my students quality and values that will help them later in life and will ultimately change the world," she said.

Orluck said providing books for children was important to the education department as well.

"We value children having books in their homes whether they can read them or just look at them," she said. "Early literacy is the key to success in life. If a child can't read and write they will have a hard time achieving success in school, and if they have a hard time in school they will have a hard time achieving success in a greater society."

She also said a presentation will take place Tuesday in the Lyceum about the 2008 presidential candidates, which will address whether the presidential candidates meet the needs of children.

The education department has provided 80 kindergartners in the Waterloo area with two books each for Christmas and will also issue 25 books to second graders in Waterloo for Christmas, Orluck said.

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VP of admissions and alumni plays dual role

SNEHA PRADHAN NEWS EDITOR

Programs that incorporate alumni and parents in the student recruitment process are invaluable, according to the assistant vice-president of admissions.

Todd Coleman was appointed to his new position in admissions earlier this fall, in addition to his previous role as director of alumni and parent programs.

"I enjoy working with alumni and students.

It's bringing two of my passions together," he said. "I will continue to provide vision and leadership to both staff and organizations."

Vice President of Enrollment Edie Waldstein approached Coleman because she did not want the position to be vacant any longer. Brent Mathias, who left in June, previously filled the position.

Coleman said he feels honored to fill a critical position in admissions and will do his best to manage both.

"Who better to speak about Wartburg than alumni? There

is more opportunity to involve parents and alumni in admissions," he said.

Coleman will report to Vice President for Institutional Advancement Scott Leisinger for alumni and parent programs, and to Waldstein for admissions.

"Overall, it's been hectic to learn a new position and be involved in both offices," he said.

"We're looking for creative ways and looking forward to the future. We have great staff in both offices."

Jeff Beck is the interim director of alumni and parent programs and Renee Clark is the assistant director.

Coleman has three years of experience as assistant director of admissions at Indiana State University. He also has 19 years of experience in alumni programs at Indiana State University, University of Missouri and the Purdue Alumni Association.

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Todd Coleman

"The W" now behind schedule

DUANE TRIMBLE KWAR NEWS

The opening of the Wartburg-Waverly Wellness Center or "The W" is behind schedule and the weather is not to blame, assistant director of "The W" Justin Jackson said.

"The floors just haven't been poured," he said.

The delay is frustrating because

the opening date for students, which was supposed to be Dec. 1, is now pushed back to Jan. 2, he said.

The public and the students will have access to "The W" on the same day.

Students are allowed to use the weight room and Levick Arena; however, the building's west end

will not be open to anyone until the beginning of Winter Term.

The west end includes several open courts for basketball and volleyball, an indoor track, golf and racquetball courts, an indoor pool and "The Zesty Orange" restaurant.

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Documentary showcases KWWL-TV

MEKEA WILLIAMSON ASST. NEWS EDITOR

A new documentary produced at Wartburg shows businesses can make money and still serve their community, Jeff Stein said before a screening of "A Legacy of Trust" last week.

The documentary focuses on the beginning of KWWL-TV and radio, and the company's founder, R.J. McElroy.

Stein, Grant Price and two former students produced the hour-long documentary.

A panel discussion followed the screening. Panel members were: McElroy Trust board members Jim Waterberry and Raleigh Buckmaster, Robert Buckmaster's son. Price, a former long-time KWWL news director was also on the panel.

Waterberry said the people who helped start KWWL were very special.

"One thing these people were not, were cowards and neither are the members of the trust," Waterberry said.

McElroy stood for helping young deserving

individuals and wanted what was left of his estate to go to them.

"There's always more need than money," Waterberry said. "That is a good thing to get up in the morning to care for those needs."

Robert Buckmaster, former CEO of KWWL, was a lawyer when he succeeded McElroy after his death in 1965.

McElroy's estate was not worth much, but Buckmaster helped it grow to approximately \$50 million. The money in the trust is used to help deserving youth as McElroy wished.

Grants from 1980 to 2006 total more than \$43 million.

KWWL radio began broadcasting on Nov. 2, 1947. KWWL-TV went on the air in September 1953.



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ELCA antiracism training focuses on white privilege education

MEKEA WILLIAMSON ASST. NEWS EDITOR

The Evangelical Lutheran Church in America (ELCA) selected two women to discuss white privilege earlier this year. One of those women was a Wartburg faculty member.

Karris Golden, assistant director of communication and marketing, not only attended the educational session but also taught at the event. Golden has been an advocate on anti-racism since 1993.

Golden's partner in the awareness program is a white woman, an idea the ELCA believes is effective to balance both sides of white privilege. Golden said the session can be emotional and difficult.

"If white people are aware that they have white privilege they

can use that to end racism and they can stop that cycle, and quite often white people don't want to have a person of color tell them about white privilege," Golden said. "They're more open to listen to what white privilege is and how they can sort of dismantle that system if it's a white person telling them, so that's why we do it as a team."

Two Wartburg students said they believe in white privilege. Abbey Claxton said she believes it could even be at Wartburg.

"I definitely think there is white privilege, but being white myself I don't get to see both sides of the issues," she said. "If it exists everywhere else, why wouldn't it exist here too?"

Terrence Swims agreed that

white privilege exists, but he has become used to the idea.

"That's everyday life," he said.

Golden and the women of the ELCA hope to change this problem.

"This training focuses on racism as an institution and not racism as a personal affiliations," Golden said. "This is about what our institution, our schools, our churches, our organizations, our corporations... do to continue the cycle of racism and the cycle of white privilege and not about 'this is what happened to me when I was a kid, or what happened to me last week or at the store yesterday.'"

Golden said the training is about informing people that, because your skin complexion is white, you benefit from certain privileges or that, as a person whose complexion is colored, you are hindered from certain opportunities through some institutions.

Golden said people who attend the seminars are usually interested in the message, but they still have trouble believing all the contents.

"In the most receptive group, you still have white women who aren't necessarily willing to admit that they benefit from white privilege, so when you have a group of white

men, even the most receptive, they might not be able --- I think they're willing," she said.

Jarrett Williams, vice president of the black student union, said that Wartburg needs to work on racism issues.

"Wartburg has a comfort zone with issues of race and they are afraid to step out their comfort zone. They find themselves content, and if something does not hit home for them or fall in their lap, they are not willing to do much about it," he said.

Golden said she is willing to bring speakers and hold sessions at the college to better inform the student body on how to be antiracism advocates.

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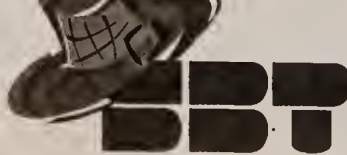
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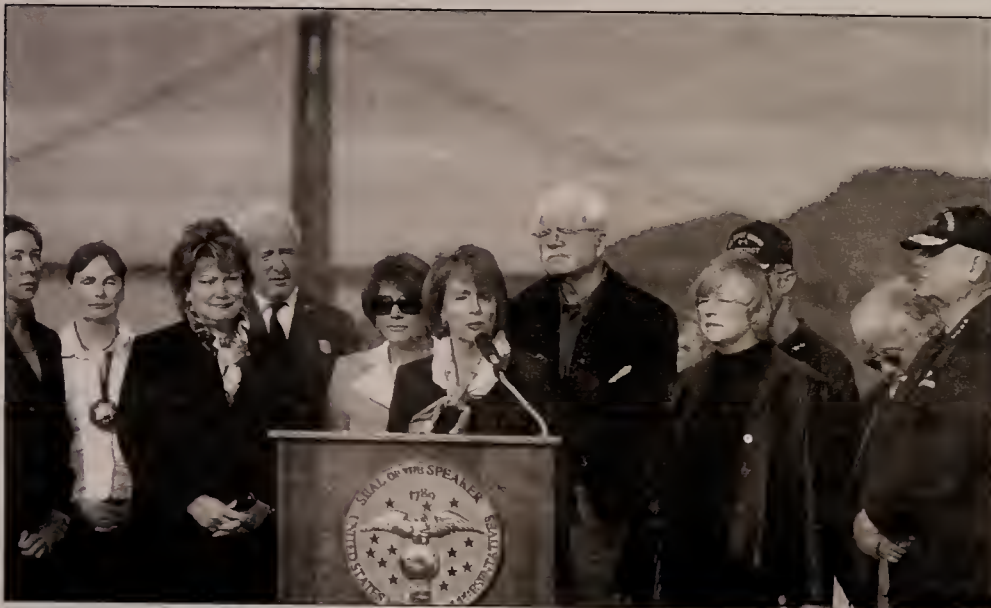
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Columbine inspires school shootings

JEFF GAMMAGE MCT NEWS

The Finnish man and the Pennsylvania kid may have been separated by 4,100 miles, but they were drawn together by a shared obsession: Columbine.

More than eight years after the bloodiest high school massacre in U.S. history, Columbine has become a towering symbol of retribution and martyrdom among would-be imitators far beyond Littleton, Colo.

To some sympathizers, including 14-year-old Dillon Cossey, whose plan to attack Plymouth Whitemarsh High School was thwarted by police last month, Columbine killers Eric Harris and Dylan Klebold have ascended to the status of folk heroes.

"I was shocked to find that there is this subculture of hero worship for Klebold and Harris," District Attorney Bruce L. Castor Jr. said this week, discussing Columbine-related Internet communications between Cossey and 18-year-old Pekka-Eric Auvinen.

On Nov. 7, Auvinen murdered six students, a nurse and the principal at Jokela High School in Tuusula, Finland, then killed himself.

Cossey's lawyer confirmed this week that his client and Auvinen

had communicated about their mutual interest in the Colorado shootings and several violent online videos. But Cossey knew nothing of Auvinen's plans, his attorney said.

There are reasons why Columbine continues to pipe its siren song to the outcast and the bullied, experts say. It has joined the short list of events whose enormity is conveyed in a single phrase: Katrina. 9-11. D-Day. Columbine.

"It has become a kind of symbol --- or a zenith --- of an antihero explosion," said Princeton University sociologist Katherine Newman, coauthor of "Rampage: The Social Roots of School Shootings."

On April 20, 1999, Klebold and Harris killed 12 students and a teacher and wounded 23 other students before committing suicide.

They set the warped standard by which other shooters measure themselves. No one talks about trying to "outdo" the violence in Paducah, Ky. (site of a 1997 shooting at a school prayer service), or Jonesboro, Ark. (a 1998 ambush), but there have been numerous attempts to best Columbine.

In 2001, shortly before killing two and injuring 13 at Santana High School in Santee, Calif., Charles

"Andy" Williams, 15, bragged that he would "pull a Columbine."

Montgomery County authorities seized Cossey's computer on Oct. 10, along with a semiautomatic carbine, knives, homemade grenades, swords and other weapons. The boy, who had been homeschooled by his mother after complaining of being bullied, is in custody awaiting a hearing that could keep him in a treatment program until he is 21.

Castor said a computer analysis confirmed Cossey and Auvinen had "sporadic" communication through YouTube, a popular site for posting amateur videos. He said their instant messages and postings directly to the site could not be accessed by investigators, however, because they were not preserved.

Frank Farley, a psychologist at Temple University and past president of the American Psychological Association, said he wasn't surprised the two found each other, given the magnetic pull of Columbine and the technological ease with which like-minded people can connect.

"It's totally logical," Farley said. "This is like a next step: direct communication between perpetrators, or potential perpetrators."

Spanish king's comment becomes ringtone

OSCAR CORRAL MCT NEWS

Political protest methodologies, circa 2007: King of Spain slaps down a ranting South American president on a mobile phone ringtone, edited DJ-scratch style with looping emphasis on "shut up."

So when a protester saunters around Miami or Caracas, and a call comes in, Juan Carlos Rey De Espana announces it with an impatient "por que no te callas?" (why don't you shut up?). As of Wednesday, eBay users were bidding up the price of porque-notecallas.com, which belongs to a quick-thinking Spaniard.

Highest bid as of 6 p.m. Thursday: about \$4,000.

"I knew the phrase would make history, but I never imagined it would get so much commentary," said Juan Antonio Morales, 34, of Almeria, Spain, who reserved the domain name Saturday after the news broke of the public spat.

"I've put it on sale because there's been so much pressure. People haven't stopped calling me."

That techy observers boiled down a heated diplomatic exchange to a cult-status ringtone and a domain name auction should not come as a surprise in a world where presidential candidates seek friends on MySpace.com and shy students break the ice on Facebook.com.

"Venezuelans will extract humor from anything," said Manuel Corao, director of the Miami-based newspaper Venezuela al Dia. "Especially something like this."

On Saturday, Venezuelan President Hugo Chavez repeatedly interrupted socialist Spanish Prime Minister Jose Luis Rodriguez Zapatero during a summit of leaders from Latin America and Portugal, prompting Spanish King Juan Carlos de Borbon to angrily burst out: "Por que no te callas?"

Oil spill endangers marine traffic in CA

PAUL ROGERS MCT NEWS

Swift currents. Dense fog. Submerged rocks. Bridges. Heavy traffic.

Every year, more than 3,600 commercial ships --- oil tankers, cruise liners and cargo ships --- sail into San Francisco Bay, and their captains face an obstacle course of dangers.

"Captains go on full alert as soon as they begin to approach the bay," said Bob Bea, a former oil tanker captain who sailed off California from 1989 to 1995.

"It's even more nerve-racking once they get in the bay. There are so many ferries and sailboats and bridges that their biggest fear is hitting something."

Last week's oil spill from the Cosco Busan underlined the risks. And despite better technology and increased safety rules that have been put in place since the 1989 Exxon Valdez spill, significant hazards for the behemoth ships remain.

The biggest ships, including oil tankers delivering crude from Alaska to refineries in Contra Costa County, are as wide as 10

lanes of freeway, and can take a mile or more to stop. If the Fairmont San Jose hotel were laid on its side, it could fit twice on the deck of the largest vessels.

At the Golden Gate, the bay is 350 feet deep, but in other places, it is treacherously shallow. Two-thirds of the bay is less than 18 feet deep, and the currents can be fierce.

Consider that the bay drains water and melting snow from roughly 40 percent of California's landmass --- all through an opening only one mile wide under the Golden Gate Bridge.

"In terms of risks, San Francisco Bay is an accident looking for the wrong day to happen," said Richard Charter, a longtime oil safety advocate with Defenders of Wildlife.

And if a spill does happen, there is plenty to lose, he said.

"This is one of the most biologically sensitive marine environments on the entire planet."

Its shoreline stretches 1,000 miles across some of the most unique marshes, beaches and refuges in the United States.

Human migration traced from Africa to Caucasus

ALEX RODRIGUEZ MCT NEWS

The forested bluff that overlooks this sleepy Georgian hamlet seems an unlikely portal into the mysteries surrounding the dawn of man.

Think human evolution, and one conjures up the wind-swept savannas and badlands of east Africa's Great Rift Valley. Georgians may claim their ancestors made Georgia the cradle of wine 8,000 years ago, but the cradle of mankind lies 3,300 miles away, at Tanzania's famed Olduvai Gorge.

But it is here in the verdant uplands of southern Georgia that David Lordkipanidze, a paleoanthropologist, has been unearthing one of the largest and most significant troves of prehistoric human fossils ever found outside of the Great Rift Valley. In doing so, his work has begun to change fundamental beliefs about human evolution, and about early man's migration out of Africa.

Lordkipanidze's latest findings, partial skeletons 1.77 million years old and described in Nature magazine this fall, paint a portrait of small-framed early humans with primitive brains but longer, more human-like legs, well-suited for long-distance walking.

Why they left Africa remains a mystery. But the Dmanisi fossils provide ample evidence that

when mankind's ancestors did leave Africa, they first trekked through the Fertile Crescent and made their way to the lush highlands at the foot of the Caucasus Mountains.

"The Dmanisi fossils are no doubt the earliest hominid fossils in Europe," Lordkipanidze said. "They are the first immigrants. They could be ancestors for any European or Asian population."

Lordkipanidze believes his team's findings at Dmanisi fill crucial gaps in the puzzle of mankind's rootstock. Though not yet accepted by the scientific community as a separate species, Lordkipanidze says "Dmanisi man" could be a link between two stages of early man, the primitive, ape-like Homo habilis and the more human-like Homo erectus.

But for Lordkipanidze, the Dmanisi fossils are invaluable for a different reason: They have etched tiny Georgia into the annals of science, creating recognition that can rev up interest in science in a nation still reeling economically from the 1991 collapse of the Soviet Union.

"What is Georgia for much of the world? For a lot of people it's the birthplace of Stalin," said the tall, soft-spoken 44-year-old Georgian. "Not many people know about our country. Now we're making a name for Georgia through archeology."



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Romeo Djoumessi upheld his ranking at the Coe Invite this weekend.

Wrestlers look strong in early season meets

ANDREW NOSTVICK STAFF WRITER

The Wartburg Knights wrestling team took part in multiple tournaments over the weekend.

Many Knights were top finishers at the Coe Invite in Cedar Rapids. Romeo Djoumessi dominated his way to winning in the 184 lbs. bracket. Djoumessi won once by pinfall and the rest by decisions.

"They're coming along and it's the first time that Romeo wrestled this year," head coach Jim Miller said. "[Brian] Borchers is progressing, all of a sudden he is fourth in the nation."

Borchers won in the heavyweight bracket of the tournament. He was the top seed and picked up two pinfall victories during his run through the bracket.

Jacob Groth finished second in the Invite in the 149 lbs. bracket, while teammate Grant Jenkins finished in fourth place in the 174 lbs. bracket.

"It's a good highlight for [Groth], it was a good highlight for him and he has a lot of potential," Miller said. "I think he's finding out that he can compete with these people."

Jake Mirocha finished fourth in the 133 lbs. bracket.

At the Augsburg Open hosted by Augsburg College (Minn.), two Knight wrestlers received top honors. Nick Shandri won in the silver division of the 197 lbs. weight class. Tim Frank won in the silver division of the 165 lbs. bracket.

Pete Nee picked up fourth place in the gold division of the 141 lbs. weight class. In the 157 lbs. silver division weight class, Brennan Drew finished in fourth place.

The Knights also sent wrestlers to the Omaha Open hosted by the University of Nebraska - Omaha. Jake Naig placed fourth in the 149 lbs. bracket as an individual in the Elite Division of the tournament.

The Knights will open up the dual season on the road as they take on the University of Wisconsin-Stevens Point on Wednesday night at 7.

"It's real important. We need to do real well in that meet," Miller said. "We have a couple of ranked guys that we have to deal with. Obviously we don't want to be sitting over Thanksgiving thinking about a poor performance."

The Knights will open their home and conference portion of the dual season. When they take on the Loras Duhawks next Thursday.

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Fantasy creates unity

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budget of course.

Hours are spent in front of a computer screen mulling over who is the best and who would fit nicely into their team.

While the season is going on, an avid fantasy owner will check injury reports, statistics and budget at least two to three times a day. These people have no lives.

Come Sunday, not only do these people cheer for their favorite team but also cheer for bad or rival teams simply because there is one player on their fantasy team.

If owners are really dedicated, they have multiple teams. Then it's just madness. They cheer for almost every team because, no doubt, they have a player who should be getting them points.

These all are wacky things these people, predominately men, do during fantasy football

season. People are getting really competitive with these leagues. People want to win or bust, and they are spending money on the leagues they have a one-in-a-hundred chance of winning.

A good point for fantasy football is that it unifies the sport in a metaphoric kind of way because fans aren't just cheering for one team, but almost all teams. There is also the slim chance to win a cash prize, which is major kudos for those who are smart enough to do it.

It is for others to decide if they love fantasy football or hate it. In most cases, it seems childish and a pointless waste of money. Then one must consider the unity.

Fantasy football begs one question though, how much money is it worth to you?

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Kuikens: twins and teammates

MAC SLAVIN ASST. SPORTS EDITOR

If you have been to a Wartburg College cross country meet this year, you may have thought you were seeing double. Amanda and Jennifer Kuiken are twins and at the top of Wartburg's cross country team.

The second-year twins hail from Fairfield, Iowa and helped Wartburg run to a 19th place finish at the national meet in Northfield, Minn. this past weekend. Amanda finished 109th and Jennifer finished 110th overall.

"They have been improving all year," Johnson said. "They have run stronger and stronger all year long."

They have proven themselves on the cross country course this year, but never received that chance in high school.

"We never ran cross country in high school --- we swam because our older sisters did," Jennifer said. "We ran in middle school but swam in high school."

After talking to head coach Steve Johnson, the girls began thinking about collegiate cross country.

"Coach said it would be a good way to meet people," Jennifer said.

"We decided halfway through the summer before freshman year that we were going to run," Amanda said. "It was a shock mileage-wise. In high school, we ran 25 minutes and thought

it was long, but now we have log books with 65 minute runs in them. Let's just say our perception has changed."

The two have changed their perception about running long distances, but will always keep running together.

"In cross country, it helps to run with someone at the same pace and that makes it less mentally tough," Jennifer said.

"We train together and go on runs in the summer," Amanda said. "When we have tough workouts we are always within a couple of seconds of each other."

"They run like they've been doing this their entire life,"

Johnson said.

Outside of cross country, the two are also roommates.

"People think we might get sick of each other because we are in all the same things," Amanda said. "It would be different if one of us were in band and the other were in cross country because we wouldn't be together all the time."

"She's my best friend, and when we need time apart, we do just that," Amanda said.

The two hope to continue their success when they participate in the track season.

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The Kuiken sisters pose together after they raced at 2007 nationals.

Knights focused on next tourney

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Lutheran.

The Knights finished on top 84-60.

"We had a great second half," Amsberry said. "We had a lot of players contribute."

The Knights were lead again by Campbell with 18 points. She ended the weekend at 63 percent from the outside the arc.

"Elizabeth Campbell played exceptionally well," Amsberry said. "We were concerned going in because she had a foot injury. It slowed her in practice. To have her come out and hit some shots for us was really big."

Also scoring in the second game were Harrington and Ashton Donahue, each tallying 11 points. Rounding out the scoring with 10 points apiece were Van Sloten and Laurie Busching.

"We shot the ball really well," Amsberry said. "We were able to control the tempo."

Covering the boards for the Knights was Van

Sloten and Silvey each pulling down seven rebounds. Campbell added five rebounds for the Knights.

"We are able to go a lot deeper this year. Our depth is outstanding. We have a lot of kids contribute, which makes it tough to play," Amsberry said.

Up next for the Knights is the Pizza Hut Challenge next Saturday and Sunday in Galesburg, Ill. The first game is scheduled to start at 5 p.m.

"A big thing is that we can't get caught up in what we just did," Amsberry said. "We need to focus on what is coming up."

The Knights' first home game will be Wednesday, Nov. 28 against Simpson. The game will be the first game the women will play in the new Levick Arena. The game is scheduled to start at 6 p.m.

"The facility is a special thing and we know it," Amsberry said. "We are hoping that we can put a special product on the floor."

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Knights split tourney

Men play first game in Levick Arena



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Cashes Mason goes for a lay-up in the Knights' victory over Aurora.

MAC SLAVIN ASST. SPORTS EDITOR

The Wartburg College men's basketball team opened their season by beating 13th-ranked Aurora Friday before barely losing in the championship game against Grinnell on Saturday in the Buzz Levick/Pizza Ranch Tipoff Tournament.

The Knights kept the score close for the entire game against Grinnell. The score was tied at 101 with 32 seconds left in the game. Grinnell's Keith Chamberlain made a free throw to pull the Pioneers ahead. Cashes Mason brought the Knights back with a lay-up, making the score 103-102. With eight seconds left in the game, Grinnell's John Groberg hit a lay-up and then a free throw to make the final score 103-105.

The Knights were led by Mitch Eslick who finished with 37 points and 11 rebounds.

"We thought Mitch was outstanding this weekend," head coach Dick Peth said. "First of all, Friday night he really got us off to a great start and he has tremendous confidence in his abilities and he always wants the ball in his hands. We thought he backed up his performance Friday with his performance on Saturday."

Dan Stark also had a big game for the Knights as he finished with 19 points and 10 rebounds. Brad Schmitt added 14 points while Mason scored 12.

"We thought our offense was our best defense against them," Peth said. "Looking back on today and how much of an impact our younger guys had and how well our upperclassmen played, we feel pretty positive about the weekend and it just helps to be a motivator for practice come tomorrow."

The Knights were hosting the tournament in the newly dedicated Lewis "Buzz" Levick Arena.

Before the tournament, a ceremony was held dedicating the gym to Levick. They presented him with a plaque and a miniature version of Levick Arena's floor.

"It was more than special for our program knowing that coach Levick was a great ambassador to Wartburg at the time that he coached as well as now," Peth said. "We try to keep him as close to the program as possible. It was quite an honor to just be involved with the opening ceremony."

Friday night, the Knights went on a 40-28 run in the second half and eventually beat Aurora 63-54.

"Obviously it was a great win for us to play against a quality team like Aurora," Peth said. "I thought throughout the course of the game we did what we needed to do from the defensive end as well as the rebounding portion of it."

The Knights led the game in rebounds with 43, while the Spartans brought down 33. The Knights were led by Eslick with nine rebounds. Eslick also led the Knights in scoring with 22 points. He finished 4-of-8 from behind the arc, while teammate Brad Schmitt brought in nine points for the Knights.

The win put the Knights in the championship game against Grinnell Saturday. Grinnell defeated the University of Wisconsin - Eau Claire Friday 137-132.

In the third-place game of the tournament, Aurora defeated UW-Eau Claire 64-55.

The Knights finished the weekend 1-1 and will open up regular season play against Carleton College at 7 p.m. in "The W."

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Amanda Kuiken, followed by Emily Van Oosbree and Jennifer Kuiken, races to the finish at Div. III nationals.

Knights finish top-25 in nation

Women take 19th place, men place 25th in Div. III races

MAC SLAVIN ASST. SPORTS EDITOR

The Wartburg men's and women's cross country teams finished 19th and 25th in the nation respectively.

The meet was held Saturday in Northfield, Minn.

The women headed into the meet ranked 19th in the nation. They held up their ranking and finished in 19th with 500 points, just two points ahead of Ithaca in 20th. Amherst won the meet with 120 points.

Sarah Zerzan of Willamette won individually with a time of 20:54. Amanda and Jennifer Kuiken and Emily VanOosbree lead the way for the Knights, with finishes of 109th, 110th and 111th respectively. They finished with times of 23:02, 23:03 and 23:04.

"The Kuikens ran a great race. It's fun to have them, they are new to the sport," head coach Steve Johnson said.

Lori Tlach was next for the Knights as she finished 166th in 23:25. Jessica Viner finished her senior season in 204th after running a 23:38.

"We had a great performance from all the women," Johnson said. "We are going to miss our seniors, Jessica and Jana McClintock but they had the best seasons of their life."

The men finished in the top 25, as they edged out Tufts for the 25th-place finish. The Knights finished with 537 points while Tufts finished with 538. NYU won the meet with 128 points.

The men were led by an All-American performance by Andy Hodge.

Tyler Sigl from the University of Wisconsin - Platteville won the meet with a time of 24:24. Hodge was the lone All-American for the Knights placing in the top 35. He finished in 30th with a time of 25:09.

"It's outstanding --- Andy's an All-American," Johnson said. "It's tougher than nails to finish in that top 35. It was really exciting."

Brian Chenoweth was 49th place with a time of 25:25.

"Chenoweth was 13 seconds from an All-American race, and he ran well. It was really exciting to watch the race," Johnson said.

Brian Mullenbach crossed the line next for the Knights as he finished in 154th with a time of 26:06.

Lucas Tjosvold finished in 218th with a time of 26:31, while Jacob Hommer rounded out the top five with a 244th place finish. He finished after 26:35.

The Knights finished a strong season at the national meet.

"The national meet was definitely a highlight," Johnson said. "The champion season is always exciting. The men were second to Luther [at the conference meet] but they were eighth best in the nation. It's not like they were a slog team, so it was very exciting."

Looking toward next year, Johnson is very excited for the women's squad.

"Our outlook is very good. We need to work at it but have a chance to be much better," Johnson said. "We have a great group of runners coming back in Amanda, Jennifer, Emily, Nicole [Calabrese] and Anna [Kraayenbrink]. Next year our women might be the best team we've ever had."

The men's squad will be losing four of its top seven runners to graduation.

"We've got some serious holes to replace," Johnson said. "Jordan Wildermuth, Joel Rasmussen and Jon Stover have all improved and will help out next year."

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Brian Mullenbach tries to move up in the pack at the national meet.

DEFENSIVE DOMINATION



The Wartburg College women's soccer team wrapped up their 2007 campaign with a heart-breaking double overtime loss in the Sweet 16, despite phenomenal play all season long from the defense. They broke multiple school records on the way to a first-ever NCAA Div. III National Tournament berth.

The Knights' defensive unit, consisting of senior Abby Showalter of Altoona, Iowa; junior Katie Krei of Iowa City, Iowa; sophomore Logan Webb of St. Charles, Mo.; freshman Amber Bennett of Sussex, Wis.; sophomore goalkeeper Rachel Coleman of Chanhassen, Minn. and first-rotation substitute freshman Kelsey Kovacevich of Urbandale, Iowa patrolled the back half of the pitch and stymied opponents' scoring opportunities game after game.

"The defense has been a point of focus all year and they've done a great job," head coach Jim Conlon said.

Wartburg gave up 14 goals on the season, seven fewer

than the school record set by the 2001 squad, and good for a .609 goals against average, well under the previous school record of 1.09 goals given up per game, previously held by the 2001 team.

"You need an entire team to put those [records] together," Conlon said. "We have not had breakdowns from our forwards to our mids all the way to our backs which has allowed our goalkeepers to post some very good numbers."

The squad has been a tough test for opposing teams, only giving up two goals once in a single game in the regular season before giving up three to the No. 4-ranked University of Puget Sound Loggers in a double overtime match in the sectional semifinal round. The Knights recorded 10 shutouts during the 2007 campaign.

"Our ability to work together in the back allows us to keep teams from shooting a lot and is a combination of help from our goalkeepers and our communication with

each other," Showalter said.

The group takes pride in knowing that opposing offenses struggle to find the back of the net against their stingy defense.

"It's a great feeling knowing that our defense has kept us in a lot of games," Webb added. "We've stuck together and been a big brick wall unit."

Coming into the start of the 2007 season there were a few unanswered questions about the defense, with the Knights only returning one full-time backfield starter in Webb.

"We weren't really sure how we were going to look," Webb said. "But this year our defense has bonded. Words can't really describe how well we get along together on and off the field."

Those questions were quickly answered for Conlon and his staff when they saw the eventual starters working before the season started.



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"It was a point of emphasis for us to see who would work well together to create a very good unit," Conlon said. "Knowing that four of our five players back there are new is impressive, and it is a true testament to those women."

The lack of returning experience did not faze the women. Neither did the fact that, of the six main defensive contributors, there is only one senior and one junior with the other four being split evenly across the first and second year ranks.

"I think it works out for the team because each class kind of brings their own certain perspective into the defense," Krei said. "However, we really don't notice it when we're playing together."

"We're all one team, one unit. It doesn't matter what age," Showalter added.

The six-woman unit uses a combination of styles, stemming from their region-spanning upbringings and experience. Conlon is impressed at how far the group has come, despite the regional tastes each one brings to the field.

"Those are five different styles of play. For them to come together for what is best for the 2007 team --- it's impressive," he said.

"On the field we're one team and we represent Wartburg. I think that everybody understands that, which has really

helped not only our defense come together, but to be as well," Showalter said.

Although not accounting for many goals this season, the defensive unit has enabled the offense to be more effective on the attack by stopping scoring opportunities and transitioning them into scoring chances for the Wartburg attackers.

"Anytime you don't give up goals, you've got a chance to win a game," Conlon said. "Keeping [opposing teams] out of the net allows us to push more players forward in the attack."

Many of the players see the relationship between the two as working both ways.

"I think the offensive success has contributed to the play of the defense, too, because with them controlling the ball teams have not been able to attack us, and I'd say that makes us more confident," Krei added.

The success of the defense has been noticed by even the smallest person on the field, literally.

"I'm 5'2." I'm a goalie. I'm a little short --- not necessarily your typical goalie," Coleman joked. "They help to relieve a lot of the pressure because I know that they'll come up with a stick or take on the attacking player. We get it done."

As the starting net-minder for the Knights, Coleman

has carded two complete-game shutouts while combining seven others with assistance from back-up keepers Jess Archer, a senior out of Sioux Falls, S.D. and Christie Ernst, a junior from Coral Stream, Ill., with Ernst accounting for a 90-minute shutout performance of her own.

"Knowing that I have really good quality keepers behind me has helped me a lot in practice. We're always forcing each other to become better," Coleman said.

Although the season has come to an end for the Knights, the team knows that what they've accomplished in the 2007 season is impressive, to say the least. They've managed to set school records and cement their own spot in NCAA Div. III soccer lore.

"Our goal is to play as one unit and we all go out there and have fun and have a good attitude. That's what made us successful this year," Showalter said.

Bennett, Webb and Coleman all garnered first-team All-Conference honors from the Iowa Intercollegiate Athletic Conference while Krei grabbed honorable mention for the 2007 season.

"Defensively, we asked a whole different core to lock down our net and they've done everything we've asked of them this year," Conlon said. "Whether they played nine minutes or 90 minutes, each girl has done exactly what it takes for this 2007 team to be special."



Knights fall in double overtime

Women bow out of national tournament in Sweet 16

LUKE SHANNO SPORTS EDITOR

The Wartburg College women's soccer team fell to the No. 4-ranked University of Puget Sound Loggers 3-2 in double overtime Friday night, ending their postseason run two steps shy of the NCAA Div. III Final Four.

The Knights tallied their first goal when forward Lauren Thomas took an Amber Bennett pass and buried it in the back of the net in the 22nd minute of action. The goal was Thomas' sixth on the season.

Wartburg carried the 1-0 lead into halftime. The Loggers of Puget Sound put pressure on the Knights the entire second half at the tournament in Wheaton, Ill.

"We went in with a 1-0 lead at halftime and we'd been playing our hearts out. All we did was

ask them to try and maintain it," head coach Jim Conlon said.

The University of Puget Sound scored their first goal of the match in the 57th minute when their leading goal-scorer, Jenece Leven, put one past Wartburg keeper Rachel Coleman for her 23rd goal of the year.

Leven then added a go-ahead goal in the 85th minute for the Loggers, backing the Knights up into a tough spot.

Wartburg managed an answer. Forward Jamie Frederick went on a breakaway down the middle of the field, sprinted past two defenders and then sent a shot over the Puget Sound goalkeeper less than a minute after the Loggers took the lead.

"I think the play of the season was really

when we got down 2-1 late and we responded right away. We didn't hang our heads, and Jamie Frederick knocked one in the back of the net for us and we were right there," Conlon said.

Regulation closed knotted at 2-2. Neither team found the net during the first 10 minute overtime period. With the second overtime period winding down, it seemed as if a shootout was imminent until Leven netted her third goal of the night with just over two minutes left, propelling the Loggers past the Knights and ending Wartburg's postseason run in the round of 16.

"Our girls fought all game long. Unfortunately it didn't go our way," Conlon said.

The Knights end their season with a 16-3-4 record, with three tie games ending in victories, bringing the win total to 19 for the season and their first-ever NCAA Div. III National Tournament appearance. Wartburg also has reason to celebrate, capturing its first Iowa Conference women's soccer tournament trophy after taking top-seeded Loras out in the finals.

The team set school records for fewest goals given up in a season, goals against average per game, most consecutive wins and tied the mark for most wins in a season at 16, with the final number at 19 after three overtime victories.

"We're going to see if we can start a tradition and not be a one-year wonder," Conlon said.

The loss also ends the collegiate careers of seven Wartburg seniors. Conlon credits the group of seniors for their work and leadership, culminating in what has become a historic season for the women's soccer program.

"This group of girls is special. It really stems from all the seniors...from being fourth in the conference to losing to the fourth team in the nation, that really says a lot about the seniors and the leadership and what they brought to the table," he said.

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Kelsey Kovacevich prepares to kick past a Puget Sound player in the sectional semifinal game.



Fantasy teams offer chance to be in control

PAM RODGERS ASST. SPORTS EDITOR

Fantasy football has been available to fans since 1962 when Wilfred Winkenbach took his idea from fantasy golf and baseball to football.

At that time, the fan base was not very big but the serious players paid for the privilege to create the ultimate team. Moves were made with mailings and over-the-phone transactions.

The convenience of the game did not happen until the Internet erupted on the scene.

Since then, fantasy football has taken off and has many options for fans to choose from.

Five different kinds of leagues exist for the fantasy owner to choose from. The most involved is the salary-cap option.



This gives a more realistic feeling to the fantasy world. Players are given a "cost" based on their value to

the real game and the participant is given so much "money" to build his or her roster. This limits how many superstars a person can have because it would be impossible to have every single one.

Whole Web sites are dedicated to this pseudo-sport. Now you must be wondering who cares.

Well this is the phenomenon that surrounds the sport of football today. Now, people's favorite sportscasters on ESPN talk about who they have on their fantasy teams.

People all across the country can compete in these leagues, and some are putting money into it and then never win.

It is mind-boggling how such a thing has erupted so completely in professional sports.

The appeal is there. Who wouldn't want to be the owner of a football team and have any player on the team, within

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Women win season-opening tourney

PAM RODGERS ASST. SPORTS EDITOR

The Wartburg women's basketball team started its season last Friday and Saturday by winning the Wisconsin Lutheran College Dunn's Sporting Goods Tipoff Tournament held in Milwaukee, Wis. with a 2-0 record.

The women opened first-round tournament action against St. Benedict Friday.

"This past week, we focused on St. Benedict," head coach Bob Amsberry said. "We watched a lot of film on them and really prepared."

The Knights were the first to score when Samantha Harrington

hit a 3-pointer 15 seconds into the game. The Knights never looked back. They had control of the game at half by a score of 37-30.

In the second half, the Knights outscored St. Benedict by 10 and won 69-52.

Elizabeth Campbell was the points leader for the Knights as she tallied 17. Harrington was close behind with 15 and Sharese Van Sloten chipped in 12 points.

On the boards for the Knights, Van Sloten was the leader with nine and teammate Megan Hendricks was right behind her with eight.

"Our defensive game plan really won that game for us," Amsberry

said. "The theme for the game was we had great balance in everything. We were able to play a lot of kids. It was really a team effort."

The win paired the women against host school, WLC, in the championship game.

The Knights started the game off slow, down by a score of 12-5 after seven minutes of play.

"We really struggled out of the gate," Amsberry said. "Then we made some adjustments and went on a nice little run midway through the first half."

The women battled back for the rest of the half, finally taking the lead 21-20 with five minutes left

in the half.

The Knights took off from there, ending the half with a 37-25 lead over the Warriors.

"We hit two 3-pointers at the end of the half to go up by 12," Amsberry said. "Holle Silvey made a great play at the buzzer to throw one in from about 30 feet. It sparked us going into the locker room."

After the half, the momentum stayed with the Knights as they kept full command of the lead. The Knight shot 54 percent from the paint and the 3-point line and 77 percent from the foul-line to keep the edge on Wisconsin

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